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My store house is packed from front to rear, and from floor to ceiling, with the finest assortment ever brought to Baird. Just step inside my store and take a glance at my immense stock, and have one of my ever accommodating clerks to show you through the house, and be convinced that my goods and prices are unequalled in Baird. Don't mind the rush, "every day is rush day at Powell's," but you will be waited on.



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Powell has furnished a special department in charge of Miss Lizzie Emerson for the accommodation of millinery shoppers. You can't pass his store without seeing the beautiful hats, flowers, etc. in the big show window. This department cannot be excelled for beauty, convenience, goods and prices in West Texas.



**Dress Goods.**  
Many women wish to purchase a dress "entirely different from any one else in town." Powell can fulfill your wish, he has the largest and finest assortment of Dress Goods that could be purchased in eastern markets. In fact his store is overflowing in real bargains. To see is to be convinced.

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"To make money is to save it" and Powell will save you more money than any merchant in Baird. Call and be convinced.

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**EPWORTH LEAGUES OF TEXAS.**

San Antonio, Tex., March 19.—The next state conference of Epworth leagues will meet within two months (May 11-15), in the city of Waco, and I would like to impress upon you the importance of this conference and the necessity of beginning now to lay your plans and get your business matters in shape for the occasion.

The state conference held in San Antonio last year was in many respects the most notable of all the conferences. Ten thousand young Christians thronged the city and awaked the echoes of our beloved Alamo with the happy songs of Zion, and the zeal and enthusiasm of this young life of Texas were in proportion to the vast crowds in attendance.

The Epworth league board of the West Texas annual conference, in their annual report set of this league conference: "It was the first gathering of Protestants in the Alamo city that had the proportions sufficient to command the attention of its cosmopolitan citizenship. A vast throng of young people crowded the streets and literally took possession of the city, and the spiritual influence was so great that it is said the police made 30 arrests throughout the city limits during the three days. The conduct of the young people was such that not an adverse criticism was made. The value of the conference to San Antonio Methodism can not be estimated.

In one respect, however, the conference was not a marked success. The Pentecostal blessing, for which so many had prayed, did not meet the full measure of expectation, and it was thought the tide of religious fervor did not rise so high as at Houston the previous year.

San Antonio furnished too many attractions, or rather distractions, and it was evident that too many of that

vast throng had come to see the Alamo rather than seek better qualification for service and the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

The custom of providing free entertainment for delegates, which has prevailed heretofore, will not be obtained at Waco. Entertainments, however, will not cost more than \$1 a day, and an effort is being made to secure from the railroads a low rate, with a maximum of five dollars from all parts of the state.

The state board acted wisely in their decision to change the place of meeting from Tyler to Waco, as evidenced by the reasons already published. Waco is centrally located and she will show her hospitality by a right royal entertainment. While arrangements are being made for the material interests of the conference, let prayer be made without ceasing in all the leagues and by the whole church. Let our God, in whose name we meet, will make this conference a great power for good to the cause of his holy religion and our beloved Methodism.

**A NEW DEPARTMENT.**  
I shall depend upon the league secretaries of the five annual conferences of the state for the collection and arrangement of the statistics in their respective territories. They will be expected to work through the district league secretaries. The duties of the state secretary have assumed such proportions that one man cannot do the work, except through the agencies I have named. Therefore I call upon all the individual leagues of the state to write to their district secretaries for blanks and information relative to the conference, and the district secretaries will in turn receive their blanks and information from the conference secretaries. Let all promptly and diligently set to work to collect statistics and prepare reports, so that all may be in hand in ample time. Each league is entitled to two rep-

resentatives in the conference. In their election let care be taken to select those who will attend and who are mentally and spiritually qualified to improve the opportunity, and to impart to the league at home the information and inspiration received. Where it is possible to do so provide for the expenses of these representatives. Besides the regular delegates secure the attendance of as many others as possible. The benefits to be derived from the session will more than repay the small expenditure of time and money.

Praying that the savor of Almighty God may rest upon the conference and upon the work of the league in our state, I am your servant.

WESLEY PEACOCK,  
State Secretary.

**JUDGE BOWMAN'S LECTURE.**

As announced in last week's Star Judge T. H. Bowman, of Big Springs, lectured at the Court House Tuesday night. Subject "Leaves From Memory's Pages." Judge Bowman is delivering these lectures by request in the interest of the "Confederate Memorial Association." The object of the Association is to erect a *Battle Abbey* at some point in the south, Richmond perhaps, in which will be collected relics and scraps of history of the late war. The object is to commemorate the deeds of patriotism and heroism of the people of the south, and above all to prepare a correct history from a southern standpoint of the late war and the events that lead up to it something that has not been done up to this time. Every history written by northern writers since the war are notoriously unjust and unfair to the south, yet some of these same histories are used as text books in southern schools. All the south asks is that their side of the question be presented to and understood by the rising generation. A Mr. House of New York, has

agreed to donate one hundred thousand dollars towards this Confederate Memorial provided the south will raise an equal amount. This in brief is the object of the association for which Judge Bowman and others are laboring so hard. It is a worthy object and ought to enlist the active co-operation of every southern man and woman.

Judge Bowman handled his subject well; and from a southern standpoint his argument in favor of the right of secession is unanswerable. He spoke briefly of the events that lead up to the war; how the north adopted gradual emancipation and managed to run most of their negroes down south and sell them and then began clamoring for the abolishment of slavery in all the states and territories. The North, he said, was responsible for slavery; it is a historical fact that cannot be denied; he said the north was responsible for the war. This, of course, is a mooted question, yet it is believed to be true by nine-tenths of the southern people and a great many northern people. Where did the question of secession originate? Answer: Massachusetts.

The northern people are fond of calling the southern people of the 60's rebels and traitors, and many southern writers and speakers have quietly acquiesced in this. The northern soldier is lauded as a hero; a noble position; and William by the national government. On the other hand the poor old Confederate soldier, who fought for liberty and his property guaranteed to him by the constitution of his fathers is counted as only good enough to vote for northern candidates and hold minor offices; but neither the Republican or Democratic parties since the war has had the moral courage to put a southern man on the national ticket well knowing that such a course would result in overwhelming defeat.

Some day a correct history of the

late war will be written, then the people of the whole country will take a different view of the stirring events that caused the war and that is the object of this association.

Judge Bowman paid an eloquent tribute to the southern soldiers; how the hoisted tress to carry the rebel chain to cart wheels of the victorious northern army, the first Manassas back to Washington, came to naught and instead of the triumphant return that caused the war and that is the object of this association. He spoke of the magnificent army as conqueror, or they went flying to Washington with the rebel yell ringing in their ears and the victorious Johny Rebs pressing them hard in the rear. He told of the victorious and matchless Lee that held the armies of the north in check for four long weary years; how that army dwindled away until but a remnant remained and Richmond had to be evacuated and Appomattox approached and the final surrender at that place. Then the roll is called. In succession the names of Albert Sidney Johnston, dead; Stone-wall Jackson, dead; Pat Cleburne, dead; Ben McCulloch, dead; Tom Green, dead; Mouton, dead; A. P. Hill, dead. All dead on the field of honor, and two hundred thousand confederate soldiers and officers fallen in the strife or from wounds received in battle or disease contracted in the service of a cause they loved better than life. The armies of Joseph E. Johnston, Hood, Price and Kirby Smith; shattered until but a remnant remained.

The once magnificent and invincible army of Virginia under Lee had dwindled to ten thousand ragged, half starved and indifferently armed soldiers. The inevitable happened, the south yielded to superior numbers, overwhelmed but not conquered. Judge Bowman here paid a just tribute to Gen. U. S. Grant for his magnanimous treatment of Gen. Lee which finds a responsive chord in the breast of every southern heart. Grant

was a great general and by his treatment of Lee and the south showed that he was a gentleman magnanimous as he was brave. Judge Bowman also spoke of the bravery and heroism of the northern soldiers. Of course there were exceptions but the Judge did not mention them. He was glad the war was over.

It had cleared the atmosphere and the question of slavery was settled forever. The southern states had conquered the north that they were not bluffing when they threatened to secede, the boast of some in the south that one southern soldier could whip five yankees had been exploded, and as a result both sections had more respect for each others fighting qualities than before the war. The speaker paid an eloquent tribute to the southern woman, who endured so many hardships in the war and are now striving so hard to raise money to perpetuate the name and fame of those who fought and so many gave up their lives for southern rights. The speaker did not forget the faithful slaves, who toiled peacefully and so faithful during the war, while their masters were in most instances in the army.

We have not time nor space to review the lecture further; suffice to say that the subject was handled well and no doubt some of those present, perhaps, for the first time got a glimpse of that other side of the great question that caused the war. Slavery by that war was abolished and we doubt if any one in the south would restore it today if they could. The south has had enough of war and all she wants is to be let alone, and that future generations may hear her side of the question that caused the great civil war in the history of the world her sons and daughters are going to collect historical facts for them to study and leave the question with them.



The flood did dry.  
 "People put on a heap too much style nowadays with their formal calls and all that sort of nonsense," said the elderly gentleman. "There was much more real journalism in the days when one went a full run over to another woman's house and walked in without knocking."  
 "I don't believe it," said the young man with the thin upper lip. "No two women ever got a little knock in their lives without John's little knock," if there was any other woman to talk about."  
 —Indianapolis Journal.

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# GRAY FALCON

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**CHAPTER XVIII.**  
 Jules and Emile were in his room one day with a trembling lip.  
 "I have just seen the last water can empty. I supposed it was full, but I have had baked out long ago."  
 "How much is there left?" asked Jules.  
 "Very, very little," said Emile.  
 "Not twice can I fill my bottle, Oh, Jules!"  
 "Say, dear one, I can fill it up to-night. Do you know the exact locality of the spring?"  
 "I remember visiting it once or twice. I never pause a moment before I can tell you its direction from this spot. But it frightens me to think of our attempting such a dangerous feat."

"It is vitally necessary, if we remain here, which seems the best thing left us, until our provisions fall out, or we are convinced there is no hope of Emile's escape."  
 "If it must be I consent; but upon one condition—I shall accompany you."  
 "My precious Chlotilde, not for the world!"  
 "I insist upon it. Whatever happens, I will not share it with you; but besides, I can recognize the spring at once, and you might search a long time for it."  
 "My beloved one, let me leave this little danger alone. What you wish to say to me is for me to know I allow you to venture on so far?"  
 "I insist, my dear Jules; you shall allow it; you yield to it because there is no help for it. I should follow at all costs."  
 "But it is not immediately necessary. We will be as prudent as possible, and Emile may yet actually be made. I would not say so lightly."  
 "Lucky Felice put the vessel of water carefully aside, saying, 'Whatever you wish, I will do before us to tempt us. How perverse in me! I was never so thirsty in my life.'"  
 "I have deliberately poured out a glass and held it toward her."  
 "You shall not deny yourself while there is so much left to us."  
 She sipped it slowly.

"If we were to have no more, how important to each other our pearls and diamonds would be the finest drop," said she, and handed it back to Jules.  
 "Now I must return to my post, and bears how near the sentinel's approach. I will be as quiet as a mouse, and hear our voices when above us."  
 "I think not, or Emile would have said so."  
 "Oh, invaluable, alwise Emile! what details him!" groaned Jules, as he repeated the words of the sentinel.  
 "No sign of any human presence throughout the day, and much emotion was passed by the circles. Jules took a pitcher and small pail and started forth as soon as evening came."  
 "Lucky Felice followed, carrying a bucket, notwithstanding his entreaty to the contrary."  
 "They passed along softly, with the utmost caution, pausing every few steps for any sound of alarm."  
 "All was profound stillness, save that now and then a bird leaped from a bough, or a bird with heavy wing thrashed through the branches."  
 "The twilight pale gave a shiver of relief. Jules hastily knelt down and drank the pitcher into it. He turned and held up to Chlotilde his draught of nectar from the very cup of Titania was outwitted by the refreshing coolness of the water."  
 "Neither ventured to speak, but their hearts beat with joyful relief. Jules filled the pail to the brim and Chlotilde took the pitcher. She tripped lightly before him to the door.

"Hurry, Chlotilde! go and share!"  
 She obeyed with a quick rush of terror, but she also caught the sound of hurrying steps, and gaining the tree, stood waiting his approach.

"The movement upset the pitcher, the precious water was lost, not a drop remained such of his struggle with the man who had poisoned upon him. Jules had dropped the bucket."  
 "The whispering and expressing the very sound of breathing, the pair listened to the eager talk going on outside, on a ground floor. He was the sound of the man who had poisoned upon him. Jules had dropped the bucket."  
 "This is certainly witchcraft!" ejaculated Jules.  
 "It was here a moment ago, and now he has gone. Peste! he has wings like a bird, or legs like a squirrel! It is always here, in this spot, that the villain disappears. Captain Pierre must hear of this."

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The Gray Falcon was welcomed back with enthusiasm. He lodged his intended relatives with an accommodation, and went at once to his old club. Notwithstanding the abhorrence he felt for the sentiments which were so rampant in the town, and especially so triumphant there, he felt that it was vitally necessary for him to seem to participate in them, and accordingly he delivered to them one of his old harangues—some what disappointing to the ears of the audience, with the moderation of his views.  
 Having thus established himself safe from suspicion, he procured a small cottage, at a safe distance from the city, and thither he conveyed his friends. The garden gave estimable employment to Jules, and his fair companion made up homely defects by a peasant boy who the unconscious farmer of dispatches between Jules and his wife, and the trial of the queen was already under consideration. The utmost lawlessness and blood-patriotism prevailed everywhere.

"Poor man!" exclaimed the prison missionary, to whom the sheriff's guard had been relating a tale of woe and misfortune. "I have been an unbroken series of misfortune."  
 "Yes," sighed the fallen one. "I have had many trials."  
 "What was the last?"  
 "Madam," said the facetious politician, as he passed outside the gate, "have you a mineral?"  
 "The woman in bloomers glared at him from the porch."  
 "No," she said, "in a mineral water—eight cents a revolution plain Deane."

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## A UNITED STATES OFFICER.

Some Incidents of His Life and Hand-hips in the Late War.

The thriving town of Melrose, Mass., had no more respectable citizen than Capt. John P. Grant, the carpenter and builder. For months he was a sufferer from wooded digestion, loss of memory and the keenest of rheumatic pains arising from a life of arduous labor and arduous exposure as an officer in the late war, and later as a U. S. mail carrier.

A representative of this paper called on Capt. Grant for his story. He met the new-sprung man cheerily, and in his own honest, simple language, said: "I was born in South Berwick, Me., Dec. 20, 1826, and when two years old moved with parents to York, Me. When 10 years old I was apprenticed to a prominent builder, George Colcord, of Foster, N. H., to learn the carpenter's trade with the added privilege of being a painter. In 1847 I removed to Newburyport, where I remained for two years with Hon. Wm. W. Kimball, then builder of the time."  
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**Be quick, a mouse is at the cheese! Just so**

**NEURALGIA,**  
 like a mouse, nibbles and gnaws at the nerves, SEIZES STAFFS, AND FINISHES THE PAIR.

**MCCORMICK'S**  
**GRAND CATHARTIC**  
**St. Jacobs Oil**  
 CURE CONSTIPATION  
 REGULATE THE LIVER  
 ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED to cure any case of constipation. Contains the finest Laxative and Stimulant known. Sold by all Druggists.

**When Saw your advertisement**

I thought that it was probably like the announcements of many other makers of harvesting machinery—big blow and little show; but I'm ready to surrender. My gentleman friend, who has bought one of your binders last season and it is equal to any claim you ever made for it.

This is the condensed essence of what Mr. Thomas Carney, of Washington Court House, Ohio, has to say for the McCormick Right Hand Corn Elevator. The claims made for McCormick's Churns are strong claims. That because

**McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, Chicago.**

The Light Running McCormick Corn Elevator. The Light Running McCormick Corn Binder and the Light Running McCormick Corn Churn, for sale everywhere.

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 PATENTS, TRADE MARKS  
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 Men Only  
 CRAM, SEED & HAY

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W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor

We hope the legislature will give West Texas what it wants in the way of laws and constitutional amendments to secure irrigation. If they do that, West Texas can have all the state officers next year. If we get the laws needed on this question West Texas will be the wealthiest section of the Union in twenty-five years and we will be able to ship bread, meat and fruit to East Texas when droughts, strikes that section. Give us irrigation and go to — Austin with the officers

## CRUSHED TO DEATH.

There was a horrible accident in the railroad yards here last Saturday night in which Mr. O. B. Russell, brother of our County Attorney, H. B. Russell, and partner with Mr. H. G. Parker, dairyman, was instantly killed. Mr. Russell came up town after supper on some business and returning in company with Arthur Waldron they went down through the T. & P. R. yards on their way to the dairy farm just south of the depot. There were several freight cars standing on the main line and they walked to a point east of the telegraph office where they found an opening between the cars. Arthur Waldron crossed the track in safety, but the space between the cars from some cause closed up suddenly and caught Mr. Russell between the draw heads and crushed him to death instantly; a coupling link having passed entirely through his body just above the hips. Mr. Russell had a lamp chimney in his hand when struck and when found the chimney was still in his hand unbroken.

Mr. Russell leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his loss, besides several brothers and sisters, and his devoted mother who lives at Putnam. Two sisters, Mrs. M. E. Surles, of Putnam, and Mrs. H. Day, of Abilene, came in Sunday to attend the funeral at Baird cemetery. Mr. Frank Russell, of Sipe Springs, was telegraphed and the news was at once but did not receive it until too late to be present at the funeral; but came in Monday.

It was a sad affair and THE STAR extends sincere sympathy to the widow and orphan children as suddenly robbed of husband and father.

Mr. Russell was born in 1861 and was therefore about 36 years of age in the morning of life, while the shades of old falling towards the west, suddenly and without a moment's warning the summons came and he passed over the river.

Mr. Russell, we understand, carried a small amount of life insurance \$1000 in the Royal Union Co. of Des Moines.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our gratitude to our friends for the kind sympathy and assistance given us in performing the last rites and for our beloved dead.

B. L. RUSSELL,

MRS. LELA RUSSELL.

## ESTRAY NOTICE.

Reported by H. D. Dixon, county coroner, stolen Property No. 4, Callahan Co. Texas on Feb. 25, 1907, the following described stock will

One grey mare about 1 1/2 hands high, about 4 years old, small eye, white nose, black left and right. Brought in neighborhood of L. P. Dixon's place near the town of Callahan.

The owner of said animal is requested to come forward, give proper pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 27 day of March 1907.

W. W. DIXSON,  
County Coroner, Callahan Co. Texas  
By W. P. COCHRAN, Deputy.

# MILLINERY.

My line of Millinery for the spring and summer is now complete with all the latest novelties of the season. A nice line of French trimmed hats. Am sure I can please you in styles and prices.

Come and see me whether you wish to purchase or not.  
**Mrs. Annie Cunningham.**  
First Door South Court House.

## DEEP CREEK DOTS.

March 23.—The singing school at the Spring Gap school house is now under the leadership of Prof. Braunsom and it seems the new leader inspires with new life. Mr. B. is also in charge of the sikes' photograph gallery. Leader Sikes having retired from the business and gone back to farming.

Prof. Geo. Ryker a graduate of the Clegg High School and a son of Mr. B. L. Ryker, of Cottonwood, is hustling around to organize a writing school. We wish him success although the times and other well known circumstances are not much favorable. It takes a long time for the McKinley wave of prosperity to reach this corner of the woods.

Mr. A. A. Calahan, of Baird, was out last Sunday to look after his estate. He had a big tank built lately and Messrs. Shelton, Green, Walker and Weath did the job.

Our young friend Tom, Harris returned Sunday from Baird, where he attended school for the last few months with marked success.

Mr. Whitley who has been confined to his bed for nearly six weeks is able to be around again and John Matthews is said to have a hard trade with disease since last fall was able to go to Baird last week the first time in nearly five months.

Mr. Corwint intends to enlarge his Spring Gap ranch considerably and fencing will begin soon.

If you mail a letter for the east at the Tomato postoffice say Wednesday after a o'clock A. M. his letter will leave Baird the following Sunday the next four days afterward. If you send the same letter by a passery to Cottonwood or even Cross Plains it will start east in less than two days sooner. Now decide for yourself, if that is imprudence and efficiency in the mail service and if the postmaster who countenances such shameful delay is doing his duty. That was good enough for the ox cart times, but never will do for the fine-de-sicle nineteenth century business.

There it goes and having dared to again say something about the Tomato postoffice I must now keep prepared for the howling that the Postmaster threatened to inflict upon me. My experience with the law is growing richer every day. A Justice of the Peace turns the defendant loose who said under oath in open court that he will provide me and added: I mean what I say and will make good my word. The same officer milted me, an invalid suffering from heart disease who was not able to defend himself and implied the help of the law, with \$25 costs. Not satisfied with that, the same officer comes to my place of business to demand payment and threatens to close up the whole house and to eject me by force if I would not submit to the payment. I am informed at the same time that being a bachelor I have no honest and am liable to lose at anytime my little home which I have built up for the last five years under the most adverse circumstances being handicapped by chronic disease. And all that in the name of law and justice! Indeed if that is law better have no law at all and give up all claims for civilization. I am to drag my private affairs before the public. But the trouble started while I was doing a public duty that is called the public attention to public nuisances. And I appeal to all public spirited and fair minded citizens of Callahan county and leave it to their judgment whether the judgment that was meted out to me in the name of law was right.

H. B.

FEATHER DUSTERS.  
Stove Dusters.  
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## A STRANGER'S STORY.

From Brownwood Bulletin.  
We take pleasure in publishing the following poem composed by Mr. Sam M. Parks, and recited by him at the recent convocation of Delta Kappa Society's program.

Ladies and I tell you  
How it happened long ago,  
When those locks were black as midnight,  
Which have faded white as snow,  
Faded by the many handshakes,  
Which the years have brought to bear,  
And the thoughts that still grip me,  
That have marked my brow with care.

This stranger spoke at evening,  
His eyes were laden with life,  
Yet his face was sweet and winsome,  
Sorrowed by the years of strife.  
I remember we'll the morning,  
Time can never blot it out,  
All the world seemed bright and happy,  
As it rang with song and shout.

For that morning we were playing,  
That is, brother and myself,  
He the younger by two winters,  
Such a vigorous little elf,  
Playing in the early spring time,  
Where we always loved to play,  
In those days of golden days,  
Sparking salt went its way.

There had a swing of grapevine,  
In those days of golden days,  
And it swung out o'er the water,  
As we pushed it too and fro.  
But we found the rope of life,  
For it seemed to us a friend,  
And its dreamy, rapping murmur  
Had had a charm to lend.

We were sometime woe and angry,  
But it passed like "Dinah's" glow,  
O, the most beautiful heartache,  
That would from this anger grow,  
Singing the same tune with hand,  
Flying through the balmy air,  
So his arm had brother finished,  
Mid those scenes all bright and fair.

But he would not give the swing up,  
Though I plead, and plead, and plead,  
He would only hold his tighter,  
Only shake his curly head.

In a sudden rage I pushed him,  
Backward over the flowing stream,  
And his hand unloosed the grapevine,  
So, how like some deadly flame.

Then a look, so wild and hellish,  
Which I never can forget,  
Crossed his face as if he might,  
I can see those features yet.

With a voice as full of terror,  
That the angels heard me still,  
Crying wildly brother brother!  
Sounding through my soul a chill,  
Down he sank into the river,  
From the bank to rise no more.

Then I knew that I had killed him  
Like the wicked "man" of yore,  
Through the many months that followed,  
"O, how I loved to see you!"  
I could hear the rippling water,  
Flowing to the mighty deep.

See a face upon its bosom,  
How a voice in deep despair,  
Always crying brother brother!  
Till it seemed to me a snare.

Often when the shades of evening,  
Laid gently on the sweet dawn,  
Would the angelic linger faintly,  
Waiting to bestow their boon.

Where their light faith had shown,  
Ever bright they seemed to linger,  
The "man" I loved and loved as they,  
And the dunes in the meadow.

With their bright eyes, seemed to glow,  
And the south wind moaned so early,  
As a mother moans at eve.

And those thoughts did ever haunt me,  
As I wandered all alone,  
In my own "I've heard them singing,  
"Singing" "I've heard them sing."

"No more shall we wander together,  
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Now 'neath the shadow of a river,  
Where I loved to see you,  
Then the years had passed from my childhood,  
I have prayed that my soul be improved,  
That the shadows which darkened that childhood,

In the sun of life be removed,  
And my soul be soothed,  
As in years that are numbered and gone,  
And my soul, as in childhood.

My prayer that I might see you,  
In the place where I thought that I love,  
"The thought of my journey to meet him,  
"Where the shades are singing above."

**DUDLEY DOINGS.**  
March 17.—Have had a very good ranch this week; and the farmers are happy. Some of the fruit was killed in the recent north.

Dudley has at last succeeded in getting a singing school. Prof. Turner is a good teacher and gifted with much patience.

Dr. T. B. Richardson has arrived from St. Louis with his "sheep skin." All are glad to welcome the Dr. back again.

Miss Amelia Johnson of Tecumseh is attending the singing school at this place.

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Enterprising and up to date methods are used in building up one of the most attractive business houses in the West. It is our intention to treat you better and give you more than anyone else for the same amount. If we don't do that then we will say take the will for the deed. We are alive and hustling. We have good new stylish Goods and are plugging prices down to bed rock.



In these days as previously Remarkd:

A man may gay,  
A man may cry,  
A man may puff and blow,  
But he can't get trade,  
Sitting in the shade,  
Waiting for business to grow

Now we carry trade winners and keep in stock a fair assortment at all times. Our dress goods for spring are unequalled, we have a fine line of light weight goods in silk and wool also silk gloria, and our line of tailor made suits, ducks, piques, dimities or gaudies, Lepsell mulls, India Linens and many other cotton line goods are very beautiful. The ladies have over our table linen, napkins and towels. We have a beautiful line of draperies, lace curtains and window shades.

It is not necessary to mention our line of Millinery for the ladies have already spread the news and we have orders after orders now waiting to be trimmed. The veiling, belts and chiffron are extremely pretty and deserve all shoppers notice.

We own our part of the shoe trade for the reason we handle the best brands made— Hamilton Brown for ladies and Hamilton Brown and W. L. Douglas for men. The ladies oxford are pretty and the ladies have shown their appreciation by buying them.



The April Delimitors are here and are very unique. Our patterns will arrive about the 25th. We are constantly receiving new goods and you will find by visiting us often you will keep up with what is new.

## CLASSIFIED ADS.

# LANDS, FOR SALE.

All ads in this column, under appropriate heads, Lost, Found, Strayed or Stolen, etc. 3 cents per line each insertion; provided that no ad shall be inserted for less than 10 cents for each insertion. All transient advertisements must be paid for in advance. We cannot accept accounts for such small amounts. No don't ask for credit. All regular customers of THE STAR, however, are one with this column. The same terms as other advertisement and accounts will be made out at the end of each month. To the extent.

640 acres 1 mile S. W. from Putnam, school section No. 306, good mesquite prairie, near town, schools, etc. Price \$35.00 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms. 1280 acre mesquite adjoining it also for sale cheap.

640 acres, school section No. 14, 12 miles west of Baird, in I. N. Jackson's pasture, good prairie land, \$3.50 per acre, in trade, or on easy terms.

900 acres, 6 miles east of Baird on R. R., a well improved stock farm—two dwellings, 160 acre farm, plenty of living water, other pasture land adjoining for sale cheap, price \$5.75 per acre, easy terms.

640 acres, 8 miles south of Baird, on Coleman road, School Sec. No. 2, 60 acres timber, balance prairie, \$3.00 per acre, on easy terms. 500 acres of pasture lands adjoining it also for sale cheap.

2000 acres, 4 miles S. W. of Putnam, prairie land, price \$1.75 to \$2.50 per acre, easy terms, or in trade.

340 acres, 4 miles north of Cottonwood, open timber lands, \$1.75 to \$3.00 per acre, easy terms, some trade taken.

50 acres, Wyatt Hillman Sur, near Caddo Peak, \$1.50 per acre, on time or in trade.

A 160 acre farm near Abilene, 87 acres in cultivation, very cheap, must sell, it even at a big sacrifice.

I will cut any of these lands, to suit all buyers.

Horses, mules or cattle taken in payment, or part payment. Other lands and improved farms for sale on easy terms.

Cattle, Horses and mules for sale.  
A. G. WEHR,  
Baird, Callahan County, Texas.

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Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors,  
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Now is this!  
Ladies Oxford Ties (clipper) for \$4, 74 and 99 cents.  
Window Shades,  
Straw Matting,  
Dry Goods and  
Ladies Shirt Waists,  
Lower than anyone.  
**H. F. FOY.**



**T. & P. Ry SCHEDULE.**

NO. 4. EAST BOUND. 9:30 a.m.

NO. 3. WEST BOUND. 1:15 p.m.

J. B. HARSH, Agent.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

E. C. (Cliff) Hill was in town Wednesday.

Garden planting is now the order of the day.

Geo. Aiken, of Caddo Peak, was in town Monday.

R. E. Martin, of Eagle Cove, was in town Monday.

Mr. W. A. Short from Putnam was in town Tuesday.

Prof. Underwood, of Callahan City, was in town Monday.

Walter Gillett, from Caddo Peak, was in the city Monday.

Mr. A. Cooke returned from Emory last Saturday evening.

L. J. Cook M. D. from Putnam was in the city Tuesday on business.

"Lum" Shnford, from near Caddo Peak was in the city trading.

Mr. R. M. Collier representing the Ft. Worth Stock Journal is in town.

Tom Windham and H. C. Grantham of Tecumseh, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. Abdon Holt, of Abilene, was a pleasant caller at THE STAR office, Monday.

Bro. W. B. Wilson returned this week from Putnam where he has just closed a very successful revival.

"Uncle" Abe Cochran, father of our efficient Deputy County Clerk, from Cottonwood was in the city Monday.

Commissioners court is in session this week; Commissioners Sprawls, Hinds, Baum and Merchant all present.

See Mrs. Annie Cunningham's ad in this issue and when in need of millinery goods be sure and inspect her store.

C. W. Roberts, of Abilene, has been shaking hands with friends, and incidentally doing a little business, Tuesday.

County Judge Hill, ex-Sheriff J. V. Cunningham and Chab Merchant, of Abilene, were on the east bound train Tuesday.

T. E. Powell is having quite an improvement made in the front of his store, in the shape of a millinery rack, and when completed will be the nicest of the kind in the city.

They and Alex McWhorter were up from the Bayou Tuesday. The latter was after tools to work the public roads in his precinct, which he secured from the Commissioners court now in session.

Mr. Thos. Woods, of Coleman, an old time East Texas friend of Capt. Jones and Dr. J. D. Windham spent Tuesday night in town the guest of Capt. Jones. He returned home Wednesday.

Judge J. C. Lynch and wife, of Shackelford county, spent a few days last week the guest of their daughter, Mrs. Ellis Richards, north of town. Judge Lynch spent Friday and Saturday night in town - assisting the members of Baird Chapter R. A. M. in conferring degrees. Judge Lynch is an enthusiastic music, and next to his pipe and Mrs. Lynch thinks more of it than any thing on earth.

Mr. Westernman's team ran away with a buggy in the east part of town Sunday evening and from the gilt they were going they were back to get the record for street racing. They left the top and east of the buggy near Clint Broterton's residence while traveling at the rate of about seventy-five miles an hour going south. The runaways were caught under the hill at Signal's farm. There were numerous rigs on the streets and it is fortunate that no one was crippled by the frightened team.

L. M. Wyatt and family moved to Cross Plains this week where Mr. Wyatt will open a drug store. This STAR regrets to see Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt leave Baird as they have made many friends during the few years they lived here. The best wishes of THE STAR go with Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt to their new home, not new to them either, for they lived at Cross Plains before they came to Baird.

We hope to welcome them to Baird again some day.

Have you seen  
-The large line of Saddles-  
C. S. BOYLES.

HE HAS THE LARGEST AND MOST COMPLETE LINE IN THE WEST.

He Makes a Specialty of-

**STOCK SADDLES**  
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I have now in stock all the latest styles of California trees rigged with the very best leather in the U. S. These saddles range from 30 to 45 dollars. I bought strictly for cash and will sell on the same platform.

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-ON-  
**BUGGY HARNESS.**

Buggy Harness (double).....	\$12.50 to \$25.00
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I also have a nice line of  
**Summer Lap, Dusters, Ear Taps, Fly Nets, Lines, Collars, Bridles, Stirrups, Etc.**

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**C. S. BOYLES.**

Dr. Asa Childress of Terrell, who is spending a few weeks' visiting in Abilene, was in town Monday.

Frank Vaughn, who has been breaking on the T. & P. west of Big Springs for some time past is at home on a ten days leave.

Prof. Fred C. Switzer's school at Belle Plaine was out last week and Fred will return to Commerce for a visit to friends and relatives.

The Epworth League held its first session last night and will be in session to-day (Friday) and Saturday and Sunday. About sixty delegates are expected.

T. E. Powell is having a glass partition erected in the south east corner of his store to be used by Miss Lizzie Emmerison in charge of the millinery department.

Mrs. Wilson wife of the Methodist Pastor, Rev. W. B. Wilson, at this place was summoned by telegram last week to the bedside of her mother, who we regret to learn is lying at the point of death at her home in Alabama.

There was a rush in the window glass business Friday and Saturday caused by the hail storm last Thursday evening. It is an ill wind that blows nobody good; the glass dealers and carpenters did good business for a few days.

Judge T. H. Bowman of Big Springs lectured at the Court House Tuesday night. His lecture was well received highly appreciated by those present. Judge Bowman is an eloquent speaker and all admit that he did his subject, "Leaves From Memories Pages," well justice.

Herman Schwartz has had galvanized iron substituted for the glass that was in the windows in the second story of his building. Suppose Herman is tired of feeling glass to the storming his hence put in more durable material if it did not give so much light as glass.

L. J. Cook, of Putnam, was in town this week. He went home Tuesday carrying with him a peculiar shaped instrument of some kind tied up in a sack. The writer was unable to say whether said instrument was a bellows, wheel of fortune or a rubber plow. Guess the Putnamites will soon learn the nature of the "critter."

If you need an attorney call on J. H. Wood, Baird, Texas.

We invite you to call and look through our beautiful line of carpets. We can and will please you. Nothing like it ever shown in Baird. Prices are right and so are the goods. Don't forget to look at our matting.

H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

Just as we went to press Thursday evening, last week, a terrific hail storm came up from the west. The storm only lasted a few minutes but smashed nearly every glass window in town that was exposed to the hail. Some of the hail-stones were nearly as large as a hen egg and fell with considerable force as the numerous holes knocked in the corrugated iron lining in front of Harry Meyers warehouse, and on the west side of Clint Broterton's residence bear witness.

The main track of the storm passed just north of town, where the ground was covered with hail-stones to a depth of six inches. Little damage is reported from the country.

We have heard considerable talk of a change of Postmasters at Baird owing to the change in the national administration; but as it is given out at Washington by the McKinley administration that no changes will be made in postoffices where the postmaster are commissioned for a term of years, except for incompetency or a neglect of duty, until their term expires it is not likely that there will be a change in the office of at Baird for two or three years yet, as Judge Solomon the present incumbent, has a faithful and efficient officer and his term does not expire until 1899. A strong petition with more than three hundred signatures has been sent to Washington requesting that Judge Solomon be permitted to fill out his term of office; and unless the administration changes its policy there will be no vacancy in the Baird office for a good while yet.

**THE STAR wants WOOD.**

Zack Adams, one of the old timers in Brown county, but now a citizen of Knox county, passed through town yesterday on his way home from Brown county. He is the same old Zack, a little older grayer and stouter than he was some 18 years ago when we saw him last, but just as jolly and as full of vim and life as ever.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**

Books and periodicals: R. A. Speer.

Jewelry a specialty at Phillips 15.

Fishing tackle R. A. Speer, 14 f.

Thorough bred poultry and eggs for sale. J. L. LEA. 15f

Tobacco, cigars and pipes. R. A. Speer. 14 f.

Drugs, patent medicines and toilet articles. R. A. Speer. 14 f.

Headquarters at Vaughn & Co. the best house in town. 15f

The finest assortment of matting in town at Vaughn & Co. 15f

Finest line of tablets, box paper, papeterie. Nelson & St John. 14 f

**Try my U. S. FLOUR the best in town. J. NORFON.**

You will save money by examining my stock before buying elsewhere. 15f R. PHILLIPS.

Go to R. A. Speer for your prescriptions, pure drugs, and skill combined. 15f.

If you want an elegant hair cut in any style go to young Dean's parlor, he is natural artist.

Coller's white lead, Sewall & Hughes mixed paint and pure linseed oil. Nelson & St John. 14 f

Just received a new and complete line of 97 wall paper. Prices to suit all. Nelson & St John 14 f

Go to L. O. Oliver's Meat Market for fresh beef, pork, sausage, head cheese, smoked hams and breakfast bacon. 14 f.

For paint, oils, varnishes, wall paper, drugs and druggist sundries, fishing tackle, etc, go to R. Phillips for best rock prices. 15f.

Our old friend J. N. Alvard was in town this week and gave us the customary round up; this time because we failed to change the address of his office from Putnam to Baird; that duty however has been performed and we hope friend "A" will not have any more trouble in getting the great religious weekly, if he don't agree with it in all things.

**SIMMONS' REGISTER REGULATOR**

ASK the recovered dyspeptic, bilious sufferer, victim of fever and ague, the muscular & weak patient, how they recovered health, cheerfulness and vigor, and you will find the answer by taking SIMMONS' REGISTER REGULATOR.

The Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Food in the World!

For DYSPYPTIA, CONSTIPATION, Jaundice, BILIOUSNESS, NICK-HADACHES, Colic, Depression of Spirits, SORE STOMACH, Indigestion, etc. This wonderful remedy is warranted to maintain a single particle of Mercury, or any mineral substance, but is PURELY VEGETABLE.

It contains the Elements Food and Life, which an all-wise Providence has placed in vegetable nature. Liver Diseases cured. It will cure all Diseases caused by Derangement of the Liver and Biliary System, such as Biliousness, Jaundice, Dropsy, etc. It is the best and most reliable in the world. Pain in the Side and Head, in the Stomach, Pain in the Back, etc., are cured by its use. It is a powerful medicine for the cure of Liver Diseases, Loss of Memory, with a painful situation of the Liver, and all other Diseases of the Liver. It is a powerful medicine for the cure of Biliousness, Jaundice, Dropsy, etc. It is a powerful medicine for the cure of all Diseases of the Liver and Biliary System.

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# The Baird Star.

REPRODUCED FROM THE BIRMINGHAM POST-OPPORTUNITY. BY W. H. HILLMAN, BIRMINGHAM POST-OPPORTUNITY.

It is generally easy to persuade people that they are abused.

A high ball is now appropriately branded a Bradley-Martin.

Thermopile is still there, but it will be remembered that those who defended it are dead.

Four years ago the newspaper poets were rhyming Grover with "clover," now they are using "over."

"Pep" Callender, the father of negro minstrelsy, is dead, but the same old end-man Johns will live forever.

The spring gun law crop this year is said to be double that of former seasons. This is indeed awful news.

There should be a special corner in hades set apart for the swindler who pretends to be sorry for his victims.

Tennessee has made lobbying a felony punishable by from two to five years in prison. Will other states follow?

One of the best features of the commercial situation is the fact that the outlook is better than the situation itself.

One stupendous argument against any third term movement four years hence will be the fact that it might make Hank Thurber a secretary of war.

We would be false to our own history if we did not show a prompt sympathy with every effort being made to seek to establish its independence of European control.

"What can we desire better than peace, but the grace to use it?" asked William Penn two centuries ago in an essay foreboding modern views upon arbitration.

Weather King James' version of the Bible is infallible or not, it is clear that it has failed to reform a vast number of New Yorkers. Any other version, however, might have no better success.

Gomally Bradford of Boston thinks a mayor should not only have no power over appointments, but over all municipal expenditures. With the right kind of a mayor the Greater Boston system would go far toward solving the problem of city government.

The problem of effective dealing with mischievous students seems to have been solved in the western college town. When a body of unruly sophomores refused to disperse at the command of the police, the mayor ordered out five line companies, and well-directed streams of water proved immensely more effectual in dissuading the defiant youngsters.

Prince Nikoff, the Russian minister of ways and communications, in an interview at Niagara Falls, declared that the present policy of the Russian government in regard to the extension of railroads in the west is not to furnish further outlets to tidewater, rather than to build for military purposes. Many roads are now under construction besides the great Transiberian undertaking, and immediate facilities for the enlargement of the railway system include the building of 2,000 miles of new track. These new facilities will open up many new industries, will facilitate the movement of Russian iron mines and petroleum wells, and will secure means of communication for large agricultural districts.

An amusing story is told at the expense of a military martinet in Germany, who undertook to snub a lieutenant at a ball in Berlin. The colonel noticed a large badge richly set with diamonds on the breast of the young officer's uniform. Going to the lieutenant, he inquired with a patronizing air: "Young man, what is that thing you have there?" "It is an order, colonel." "An order?" exclaimed the veteran, with a sneer. "It is not Prussian, for I don't recognize it." The lieutenant replied: "Lieutenant."

"Who could have given you such an order?" "My grandmother, colonel." "Your grandmother?" shouted the colonel, with a laugh. "Pray tell me her name." "Her Majesty, Victoria, Queen of England." The hairy martinet did not continue the conversation, but bowed obsequiously to the lieutenant and after an awkward pass retired from the scene. He had recognized the prince, and in attempting to chast him over the display made of a diamond-encrusted decoration, he had unconsciously violated royal etiquette and made himself ridiculous.

Congressman Sprague of Massachusetts needed nine large cars to take his domestic appointments to Washington. In one car was the conservatory; another contained the splendid horses and their groom; a third carried his same horse and in company; a third still carried a fourth harness of saddles, and the rest were used for the use of the horses and the groomsmen. Some of the Massachusetts papers are criticizing him as a highly representative and manly distance between such a man and his Webster.

## TEXAS LAW-MAKERS.

DOINGS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE AT AUSTIN.

The bill making it unlawful for insurance companies to do business in this state, except through Regular Authorized Local Agents, passed.

Austin, Tex., March 22.—Mr. Ball sent to the senate yesterday a petition from 100 teachers of Johnson and Hill counties protesting against Mr. Frost's text book bill and favoring the establishment of the chair of pedagogy at the State university and the appointment of a board of education.

On motion of Mr. Woods the regular order of business was suspended and senate bill No. 291, changing the time of both courts in the fifth judicial district, was ordered engrossed, the constitutional rule suspended and passed to a third reading and finally passed with the emergency clause attached.

The regular order was suspended and Mr. Morris bill regarding sheriff's fees and mileage in civil cases was ordered engrossed. The bill regulates the amount of mileage of sheriffs and constables in civil cases. The bill provides that the officers shall receive mileage only for the actual miles traveled both in and out of the county, and when two or more persons are mentioned in the same writ only the proportion of mileage at cents per mile can be charged in each case. The bill provides for one person, and when two or more writs are served on one person the bill is read a third time and passed.

Mr. Ross called up out of its order the senate bill making it unlawful for insurance companies to do business in this state except through regularly authorized licensed agents. The bill finally passed.

Mr. Allen's joint resolution, seeking to amend the constitution relating to subsidizing railroads by grants, was passed by a yeas and nays vote, 20 in favor and 10 against.

Mr. Allen's bill, giving tax collectors commissions on taxes paid by non-residents to the comptroller on three different bills, was ordered engrossed and finally passed under a suspension of the rules.

Austin, Tex., March 23.—The usual session of the legislature was held in the house convened yesterday forenoon. The general appropriation bill was the first order of business, and Mr. Patterson's amendment to strike out the appropriation for the state revenue agent. The entire session was consumed in debating over the bill.

Grand Jury Indictment. Waco, Tex., March 23.—A. Grubbs of McGregor was returned by the grand jury in the last held returned by that body before adjourning, and Mr. Grubbs gave the required bail. He is charged in one of the new indictments with attempting to commit a criminal assault. The other is based upon the fact that Miss Smith, who is the person against whom the indictment was made in the case of the defendant.

Special Rates. Houston, Tex., March 23.—The Houston and Texas Central railroad company special rates for the following occasions: Meeting of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, Houston, April 19; meeting of the Texas State Fair, Houston, April 21 to 23; meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, Houston, April 21 to 23; meeting of the Knight Templars, Houston, April 21 to 23; meeting of the Grand Lodge, Houston, April 21 to 23.

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## THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

Summary of Matters Awaiting Upon by the Law-Makers at Austin.

House bill No. 549, restoring to Abilene county the civil jurisdiction in that jurisdiction, was laid before the house and passed.

A bill amending the charter of the city of Denison, was laid before the house and passed.

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## GREEN LEAVES.

What the Medical Profession Knows About Them.

The season of green leaves is at hand. They will soon be green with their beauty and utility. The scientist not only sees how beautifully they are, but he also tries to see how useful they are. The green leaves are oxygen-makers. Oxygen is necessary to animal life. The free oxygen of the atmosphere is constantly being consumed by combustion and by breathing creatures. The oxygen thus used is rendered unfit for breathing, being converted into carbonic acid gas. Were it not for the green leaves our atmosphere would soon be deprived of all its oxygen and all air-breathing animals would die. What we breathe in, leaves breathe out, and vice versa. Each spring brings joy and invigoration through the enrichment of the air by the green leaves. It is at once a delicious and a trying time to the human system.

The sudden pouring into the atmosphere of so much free oxygen excites nervousness, skin eruptions, palpitation, and all sorts of mental excesses. All this is a necessary and unavoidable accompaniment of spring. Hence a spring medicine has come to be a necessity to most people. No better medicine can be found than Pe-ru-na. It meets all the requirements of the case. It regulates, it invigorates, it rejuvenates, it reinvigorates, it recreates, it expurgates—in short, does all that any spring remedy or medicine can do. All druggists keep Pe-ru-na.

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Every one has the secret feeling that he is not treated right, because appreciation over his little ailments, because of his friends away nights.

Every girl who is very thin creates the impression that she is composed largely of soul.

Justly a box of Cassen's cathartic, the first liver and bowel regulator made, will do more for you than any other medicine.

When a pig lighter comes to this office to demand fees, it is better to pay him than to have him come back with a pig.

GET STRENGTH AND APPETITE. Dr. Hatters' Iron Tonic. Your druggist will sell it for you.

It is surprising how many more things you believe than you know.

## Rides a Wheel Head Down.

A new machine on the program of a Berlin circle is attracting widespread attention. It is called the "Mystery Star," and the production includes two male artists.

A large disk is fastened to the ceiling of a circus, leaving but a small space for a track on top of the disk, which is invisible to the audience. On the lower surface of that disk a bicycle rider rides up and down, and holding a trapeze suspended from his mouth, a partner goes through a series of trapeze exercises in that starting height under very difficult conditions, for the rider continues riding around his track, forward and backward, irrespective of the wobble of his companion.

When he tries the line— "Should be treating you a set of medicine, the kidneys and bladder. The diuretic which I prescribe is supposed to be the most efficacious in the world, without any harm to the system, without any danger to the stomach. For ever and ever, stay away from the common salt and soda water, and use the Hitters."

When a little old man wants to make an impression, he puts on a pig hat.

Mr. Winslow's Scalding Syrup. It is the best remedy for all kinds of scalds, burns, and other skin eruptions. It is sold by all druggists.

When you have your rivals, curse them in secret, but don't let on in public.

JAVA BLEND coffee is the best coffee in the world. It is sold by all druggists.

TAKE LAXATIVE BROWN QUININE TABLETS. It is the best remedy for all kinds of fevers and other ailments.

It is not safe to bet on what you feel in your bones.

CAUTION: Stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never seems weaker or gives the least relief.

A whilst count is one who doesn't believe a game is interesting unless he quarrels over it.

# Blood

Must now be purified and accumulated of winter expel of they may open the way for the summer heat and malarial fevers.

Hooper's Sarsaparilla. It is the best remedy for all kinds of blood diseases.

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What a STUPIDUS LIFE! We hear a farmer say when he reads that John Bremer, Mashott, Wis., grew 123 bushels of Salzer's Silver-King Barley per acre in 1896. Did you believe it? Just write him! You see Salzer's seeds are bred up to big yields. And data 230 bushels, corn 240, wheat 60 bushels, Potatoes 1,500 bushels, Grasses 6 tons per acre, etc., etc.

Just Send This Notice With 5 Cents stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., Crossville, Wis., and get 12 more samples, worth \$10, to get started. W. H. HILLMAN, BIRMINGHAM POST-OPPORTUNITY.

Some people hate others for no other reason than that they are respectable.

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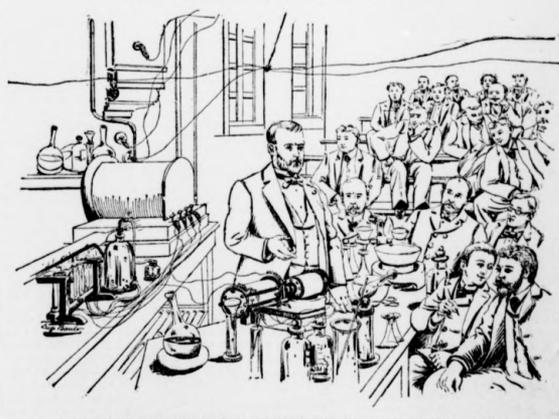
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Convincing Free Offer of an Eminent New York City Chemist and Scientist.



(A scene in the Slocum Laboratory. The Doctor illustrating the merits of his newly discovered System of Medicine to medical men and students.)

Nothing could be fairer, more philanthropic, or more generous than the offer made by the eminent chemist and scientist, T. A. Slocum, of New York City, who has discovered a reliable and absolute cure for consumption, and all bronchial, throat, lung and chest diseases; catarrhal affections, general decline and weakness, loss of flesh and all conditions of wasting away; and make its great merits known, he will send THREE FREE BOTTLES of his newly discovered remedy to any afflicted reader of this paper. Already his "new scientific system of medicine" has permanently cured thousands of apparently hopeless cases. By its timely use, and it seems a necessary and humane duty, therefore, to bring such facts to the attention of all invalids that the generous offer of the honored and distinguished chemist, T. A. 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**SHORT STORIES, FOR IDLE MOMENTS.**

Don't dispute a Kentucky colony statement—you can't correct it. They never take water.

Up at Gallatin, Mo., a few weeks ago and empty-headed young date, with a cigarette in his mouth, was talking to an old colored man when he said: "Well, Uncle Remus, these trees over here in the park are about as black as you." "Yes," replied the ancient dorker, "and in the spring they will be nearly as green as you, sah.—Ex.

Eben Longhead (reading goldbug paper). "As the bulletin-boards indicated the election of McKinley the air was rent—'There it is, Miranda! Just as I said! The scamps have goobled the earth and now they rent the air! Wonder how much a fellows breath will be by the month!—Sandwich.

A Kansas beauty has been arrested on the complaint of a young man who charges that she "did suddenly, forcibly and intentionally hug him, thereby causing him great confusion and mental anguish." If she is convicted let her write to Texas the amount of her fine and the cost of a ticket to this state. This is the country for her, Ish, Kansas.—Sandwich.

King—Potts gave himself dead again—Talk in his sleep.

King—Worse. You see he woke just as the collection plate was put in front of him and said: "I'll have to pass again this time I haven't had a d— pair in seven hands.—Ex.

**SINGING CONVENTION.**

Each and every singing class in Callahan County is requested to elect delegates to the county convention which meets at Newark, Texas, May 8th and 9th 1897. Delegates please come and bring your song books.

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J. N. ALLEN, Sec.

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**CITATION BY PUBLICATION.**

The State of Texas County of Callahan.)  
In the justice Court, March term, A. D. 1897.  
To the sheriff or any constable of Callahan County, Greeting:  
Whereas oath has been made that the residence of the defendant is unknown by affiant.

You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in said county, (but if not in the nearest county where a newspaper is published) for 4 weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon N. L. Clark of unknown county, to be and appear before the justice court to be held for Precinct No. 2, at old town of Belle Plaine, on the 27th day of March 1897, File Number being 4, then and there to answer the petition of H. L. Buchen filed in said court on the 15th day of Feb. A. D. 1897 against the said N. L. Clark and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit: That in the months of Feb. and March 1895 said N. L. Clark purchased merchandise of the said H. L. Buchen to the amount of (\$14.20) fourteen dollars and twenty cents with which said N. L. Clark still owes with interest at the rate of 8 per cent from April 1, 1896.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court the writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness J. L. Lawson, J. P. Justice Court of Callahan county. Given under my hand and seal of said Court in Belle Plaine this 15th day of February A. D. 1897.

J. L. LAWSON, J. P. Pre. No. 2, Callahan County Texas.

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**OLD PAPERS** For Sale at The Star office

**PUTNAM DOTS.**

March 24.—Weather cool, had some ice. I fear the peach crop is a failure. The R. R. men are working on the new depot. It will be a very nice building. It is about 75 yards east of where the old depot stood. Some talk of building a section house here.

We were sorry indeed to learn of the death of Mr. O. B. Russell, it was a shock to this entire town, which he loved and had so many friends. Mr. F. S. Russell and son of Sipe Springs stopped off here to see his mother. Mrs. Day of Abilene is also visiting her mother, Mrs. Russell. Mrs. J. W. Hutchison went to Cisco Monday returning the same day. Y. A. Orr is having his store house repainted, which makes it look pretty. The Apert man of Cisco was in our town yesterday.

Dr. Brittain and Dr. Satterfield bought them a nice piece of furniture from a traveling man yesterday, I think they said it was a chicken exterminator. Price paid was either 40 cents or 40 dollars, and I am not prepared to say which.

Dr. L. J. Cook is a man that always keep pace with the progress of the times. He has just sent to Philadelphia and purchased himself an Edison phonograph machine, which enables him to take a prospective view of anybody, any where and under all circumstances. Price paid for this wonderful machine was the enormous sum of ten cents in stamps.

I went through T. E. Powell's manuscript book of Dry Goods, a few days ago, which is complete in every respect. I speak from experience when I say if you want good goods and want to trade with a man that will treat you right in every respect, and who keeps the best men he can get for clerks, you need not go around T. E. Powell, for he certainly is a fine man in every respect.

**DISTRICT COURT.**

Court convenes April 5th and continues three weeks.

**GRAND JURY.**

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| W J McWaters | W A McGowen     |
| J F Mayner   | T S Motley      |
| R P Odum     | F S Shackelford |
| C P Sale     | S B Salley      |
| Gabe Smart   | D W Claiborn    |
| J B Cuthbert | J M Merrick     |
| W B Dpald    | W E Kennard     |
- THIRD WEEK.
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| April 5th.     | B B Hazelwood   |
| E E Higgins    | J H Perry       |
| F T Thrallkill | M R Street      |
| W M Coffman    | J W Tatum       |
| M A Aycock     | Charley Crowley |
| Lee Morris     | T W Keblinger   |
| F M Dunlap     | T F Lester      |
| W F Evans      | R L Howell      |
| W T Garney     | J E Noff        |
| D R Borden     | W T Farmer      |
| W T Clifton    | A W Tipton      |
| R A Barbery    | Made Hearn      |

THIRD WEEK.

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| April 19th.   | W S Melton  |
| J A Heyser    | Geo Clifton |
| J F Luce      | W F Pearson |
| J B Baum      | H W Ross    |
| J P Hutchins  | R S Horsely |
| F J Taber     | J C Shuford |
| W F Kyle      | A G Elliott |
| W Bennett     | J F McIne   |
| C A Broderton | E L Finley  |
| R E Dawkins   | C A Bowles  |
| R M Merchant  | F C Lilly   |
| I C McCart    |             |

\$100 REWARD.

By a resolution unanimously passed at a regular meeting of the Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties a standing reward of \$100 is offered for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft of illegal branding of any cattle or horses belonging to any member of said association.

Attest.  
J. B. CUTHBERT, Pres.  
F. S. BELL, Secy.  
\$100 REWARD.

The Stock Raisers Association of Coleman and Adjoining counties hereby offer a reward of \$100 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are guilty of stealing or killing any stock belonging to any member or members of this association. To be paid when satisfactory proof is made to the executive committee of this association.

R. H. OVERALL, Pres.  
A. T. BROWN, Secy. 12tf

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**TEXAS & PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.**  
Notice is hereby given, that the adjourned annual meeting of the stockholders and Directors of The Texas & Pacific Railway Company will be held at the office of the Company in Dallas, Texas, on Saturday, April 10th 1897, at 12 o'clock M.

**ESTRAY NOTICE.**  
Taken up by S. M. Bogie and estrayed by Justice J. M. Bryant Justice of Peace Precinct No. 2, Callahan County, Texas, July 2, 1895, the following described stock, to-wit: One bay horse 4 years old about 14 1/2 hands high branded on left shoulder. The owner if said animal is reported to some forward proof property pay charges and take said animal away or the same will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office the 15th day of March 1897.

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